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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement

Mailed June 24, 1998, please cancel claims 1-20 and 33-38.

In response to the Examiner's restriction, Applicant elects Species Group 3 identified by the Examiner, without traversal. The claims readable upon this species are 21-26, 28-30 and 32.

Applicant understands that dependent claims 27 and 31, readable upon the Examiner's Species Group 4, will be withdrawn from consideration until allowance of the claims from which they depend. Applicant has not canceled claims 27 and 31 so that these claims may be examined upon determination of the allowability of the claims from which they depend.

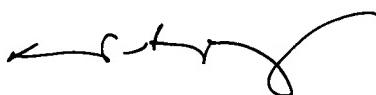
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The Examiner's attention is directed to the Information Disclosure Statement and Petition for Correction of Inventorship that are being submitted with this communication. Also, Applicant notes for the Examiner's information that Applicant has recently received from Medrad, Inc., a copy of protest against this application, that was assertedly filed by Medrad, Inc. with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 21, 1998 and presumably will be inserted in the Examiner's file. If the Examiner is in need of a copy of the protest, it will be forwarded upon request.

If any petition for extension of time is necessary to accompany this communication, please consider this paper a petition for such an extension of time, and apply the appropriate extension of time fee to Deposit Account 23-3000. If any other charges or credits are necessary to complete this communication, please apply them to Deposit Account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,



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